



Callingwood-Lymburn Community Newsletter

President's Message

By Terry Diane Demers, CLCL President

"To keep the Golden Rule we must put ourselves in other people's places, but to do that consists in and depends upon picturing ourselves in their places."

~Harry Emerson Fosdick

Some time ago, I spoke with some of our community neighbours just south of Lymburn, in Ormsby. We spoke about the concerns with the heavy traffic and damage it causes along Ormsby Road West and East.

Ormsby Road East residents started seeing traffic volumes rapidly increase when Callingwood Road opened to the Henday; then another increase when building began west of the Henday.

The province's original plans had an interchange planned for 69 Avenue and Anthony Henday, but had to cancel the plan

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Callingwood/Lymburn Community Hall Grand Opening



Approximately 100 people attended the Grand Opening of the new Callingwood/Lymburn Community Hall on September 20, 2014 (Community League Day). Attendees enjoyed a free barbecue, live music, and door prizes.

Photo, from left: Perry Hendriks of Hendriks Construction, Mayor Don Iveson, CLCL President Terry Demers, and MLA David Xiao cut the ribbon to open the new community hall.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 15 Belmead Christmas Craft & Bake Sale
Saturday, November 15, from 10-4pm, Belmead Hall, 9109-182 Street
- November 16 Ardent Sparrow Craft Sale
Sunday, November 16, from 10am to 2pm, Woodcroft Community Hall, 13915 - 115 Ave NW
- The Ardent Sparrow Craft Sale will showcase locally made one-of-a-kind crafts including: diaper bags, hand bags, dresses, winter knit hats, paintings, stained glass and more! Prices start at as little as \$5. Great gift ideas for Christmas!
- January 26 Callingwood/Lymburn Community Playschool Open House
Monday, January 26, 2015, from 6 - 7:30 pm, Lymburn School, 18710 - 72 Avenue
Open house in the classroom. Will accept registration for new families.
- November 13 & 27 momstown Baby Basics - for 0-12 months old
Thursday, Nov. 13 & 27, 1:30 - 2:30pm, Callingwood Recreation Centre (2nd floor)
- Drop-in programs run by momstown are free at this location for Callingwood /Lymburn Community League members.
- November 20 momstown Music & Movement - for 0-6 years old
Thursday, Nov 20, 10-11am, Callingwood Recreation Centre (2nd floor)
- December 4 momstown Art & Play - for 0-6 years old
Thursday, Dec. 4, 10-11am, Callingwood Recreation Centre (2nd floor)



Did you know you can report crime to the Edmonton Police Service online?

In October, the Edmonton Police Service (EPS) launched a new app for mobile devices that allows users to report some types of crime, and access news, social media activity and alerts from the EPS.

You can use the app to report 5 types of crime: damage to property, damage to vehicles, lost property, theft from vehicles under \$5,000 and theft under \$5,000.

These types of crimes can also be reported online through the EPS website.

November is Prevention of Family Violence Month

By Sue Leighton, Callingwood Cares Group

November is Prevention of Family Violence month in Alberta. On Monday, November 3rd, the City of Edmonton held a proclamation for Prevention of Family Violence month.

Violence against a person is a crime. Family violence is a crime. Violent bullying is a crime. Dating violence is a crime. Child abuse is a crime. Elder abuse is a crime. Spousal abuse is a crime. Sexual abuse is a crime. Physical abuse is a crime. Are there even more kinds of abuse? You bet: emotional abuse, financial abuse, verbal abuse, psychological abuse, spiritual abuse, social abuse ... there are so many forms of abuse.

We seem to be very good at abuse, and it's high time we fixed that. Not so easy. But we can all help by being aware of how very common the forms of abuse and violence are in our neighbourhood, and taking small steps at a time to rectify it. That's important because abuse robs the abused, and it robs all of us: it "robs individuals and communities of their full potential

by diminishing energy, hearts and spirits" (Colleen Klein).

There are massive amounts of information you can readily access to help you learn how to recognize the signs of abuse and violence on people of all ages. Alberta Social Services, your local libraries, and Alta. Child and Family Services Authority are just a few. There are simple and safe ways to let a suspected victim know that you recognize the signs that they are suffering some form of abuse without alarming them. And, extremely important: here is contact information you can use, or give to someone in need:

Government of Alberta's Prevention of Family Violence and Bullying
Phone 780-422-8519

Alberta Council of Women's Shelters
Phone 780-456-7000 or visit www.acws.ca

Most important of all? Be aware and be active.

Callingwood/Lymburn Community League Bingos

Come volunteer at a bingo and make new friends, and earn credits towards your child's soccer registration fees. It's simple and fun, and lets you get to know your neighbours. Bingo nights are important fundraisers that help support the community league's programs and events.

Upcoming Bingo dates:

Afternoon 11am to 3:30pm
\$40

Sunday November 23/14
Friday December 12/4
Thursday February 19/15

Evening 5 to 9:30/**11:30pm
\$40/**\$50

Thursday December 18/14
Tuesday January 13/15
Saturday February 7/15**



Contact us:

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when they realized it would be placed too close to the Whitemud interchange. No contingency plans were made to accommodate Lymburn traffic access to, from and beyond the Henday. Ormsby Road East became the default route that accommodates over 2000 motor vehicles per day, I'm told. It is 600 metres long with 42 residential driveways fronting directly onto the Ormsby Loop.

So.... What can we as neighbours do?
We can consider our options.

Statistics gathered over the past 4 years have seen an increase of an average of 0.40 vehicles per minute between 2010 and 2013. It may not sound like much, but when extrapolated over 1440 minutes or 24 hours, it means 576 more per day in 2013 than 2010! Ormsby Road East was designed to take traffic between its cul-de-sacs and 188 Street. Ormsby Road became a feeder road, changing traffic patterns throughout the area, causing concern for the residents along the Ring Road.

Groups within Ormsby worked with the City of Edmonton before the opening of the Henday in 2011. The Ormsby Road group requested concrete barriers at the entrance to The Woods to re-direct traffic to 184 Street. Transportation Services reviewed the request and declined it. For some time they placed camera/speed signs and speed sentries to either slow down or deter traffic on Ormsby Road East. They also placed Local Traffic Only signs at each entrance, reminding drivers they're entering a residential area.

The logical route from Lymburn to the Henday would seem to be through Ormsby Road to the Callingwood Road interchange. The road actually designed to carry the traffic is 184 Street as the West Jasper Place (South) Area Collector Road and as such was designed to accommodate through North/South traffic.

When the Lymburn Surplus School site is developed it will create additional traffic as well.

With the design of the ring road, the huge increase in traffic volume and the connection through to the Henday, the residents of Ormsby have seen dramatic increases in the accidents in front of their homes. (I spoke with some residents in other communities that actually moved away from Ormsby because of the traffic issue on this ring road!) One year ago, one home in Ormsby had a car come over the grass and hit the house hard enough to end up through the concrete wall in the garage.

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- 184 Street is a through road directly to Callingwood Road interchange.
- 178 Street is a through road to Callingwood Road interchange as well.

So, if you're thinking about taking the Callingwood Road overpass, you may want to return to Lymburn via one of these options. Or on your way to the Henday, consider taking one of the main streets to get there. If you choose to take Ormsby, keep in mind it is a residential area, so please drive very carefully.

Callingwood/Lyburn Community Playschool

By Christine Crocker, Playschool Chair



The Callingwood/Lyburn Playschool is a non-profit, parent co-operative playschool, run in conjunction with the Callingwood/Lyburn Community League. We are located in the Lyburn Elementary School at 18710 – 72nd Avenue. Our school has adopted the Learn Thru Play philosophy, believing that helping children to use their imagination fosters wonderful daily opportunities for learning. The purpose of the playschool is to provide enriching pre-school experiences for children from the ages of 3 to 5 years old.

We are having a great school year so far and all classes are full for 2014-2015. As we are a parent cooperative, we rely on our parent 'village' for our success. We have a great group of parents this year – so a big Thank You to our current parents for making our playschool such a success.

Looking ahead to September 2015 for parents of children hoping to participate in playschool, check out our website at <http://callingwoodlyburnplayschool.com/>

Registration for the 2015/2016 school year:

- January 8 – Current Parent meeting (7-9 pm) we will also accept registration for current families who will be returning for the 2015/2016 school year
- January 12 – Registration for Returning Families (9:00-11:00 am)
- January 19 - Registration for Alumni Families (9:00-11:00 am)
- January 26- Open house in the Classroom (6:00-7:30 pm). We will accept registration for new families at the open house
- February 2 – Registration for New Families (9:00-11:00 am)

A complete registration must include ALL necessary forms of payment attached to the registration form. Only complete registrations will secure your child's spot on the class list.

For any questions, please email us at info@callingwoodlyburnplayschool.com or contact our current registrar, Michelle Campbell, at 780-443-0987. We are also on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CLCPlayschool>

I am looking forward to a busy year of playing and learning!



The Callingwood/Lymburn Community would like to thank Anne Dingwell, who has been our office manager for over 9 years and has volunteered as President in the past. Thanks for all your hard work and congratulations on your retirement! You will be missed!

The Executive would like to welcome Kim Street, who has taken on the role of OFFICE MANAGER, and Lisa Madsen, as our SECOND hall manager.

The league would like to thank all of our volunteers, who continue to make the Callingwood/Lymburn community a great place to live.

Callingwood/Lymburn Community League

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Find us on Facebook

The Callingwood-Lymburn Community Newsletter is produced quarterly. Two printed issues per year are distributed throughout Callingwood and Lymburn neighbourhoods, and two issues are distributed by email to league members. For information on advertising, see our website.

CLCL Membership Benefits

- Free Public Swimming at the Jamie Platz YMCA Sundays 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- Free Public Skating at the Callingwood Recreation Centre Sundays noon to 1:15 pm
- 25% discount off the rental of the meeting room or hall at the Callingwood Recreation Centre
- Free Admission to the Jamie Platz YMCA indoor playground for children 5 years and under (parental supervision is required) at the following times:
 Tuesday: 6 - 9pm Thursday: 11:30am - 2pm Saturday & Sunday: 7am - 9pm
- Free playgroup through Momstown at the Callingwood Recreation Centre location only, Thursdays (see website or Facebook for schedule)
- 10% discount on annual or multi admission passes at City of Edmonton's Recreation facilities
- Access to programs available at an additional cost: AKF Karate, soccer, and playschool
- Business Discounts:
 - 15% at the Happy Camel
 - 10% off food purchases at Muggn'z
 - 10% at Princess Florence Handbags & More
 - 25% off all public courses at University of Alberta Technology Training Centre
 - 15% off programs offered by Mommy Connections - West Edmonton
 - \$5 off a \$50 purchase at M&M Meat Shops (Callingwood 6655-178 St)

Outdoor Skating Rink at Callingwood/Lymburn Hall

The outdoor ice skating rink in Lymburn Park will be opening for the 2014/2015 winter season soon (when weather permits). Skating at this rink is free for Callingwood/Lymburn community league members. Remember to wear your green skate tags!

The rink will be open for skating at the times listed below. The rink may be closed on any given day due to inclement weather, at the rink attendant's discretion.



- 6 - 9 pm weeknights
- noon - 6 pm Saturdays and Sundays

The new community hall next to the rink has a skate change room and washrooms which will be available during skating hours.

Grand Opening - Thank you!

The Callingwood/Lymburn Community League would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for making the grand opening of our new hall possible:

- Hendriks Construction
- Edmonton Northern Lights Rotary Club
- Terwillegar Swiss Chalet
- Callingwood M & M Meat Shop
- West Edmonton Mall Famoso Neapolitan Pizzeria
- Caesar's Bingo
- EFCL
- David Xiao, PC MLA
- Rona Ambrose, PC MP
- Thim Choy

Community Garden



Some Callingwood residents and the Callingwood Cares group have formed a committee to develop a new community garden, located beside Callingwood Elementary School. The committee has enough members now to begin planning the garden this winter, but new volunteers are still welcome. If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact Wayne at 780-717-8282.